



We're here to see lives changed by Jesus ...
meeting Him and becoming like Him.



We extend a warm welcome to all who join us in worship today. May the Lord our God bless you as you hear His Word and join in prayer and praise.

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TODAY'S SERVICE

- Song
My Lighthouse
- Welcome & Notices
- Offering
- Songs
Joy of the Lord
King of All Days
- Communion
- Message
Why We Observe Water Baptism
- Song
Boldly I Approach
- Prayer & blessing

- ✚ If you would like prayer after the service today, ask the people around you or come to the front and someone will pray for you.
- ✚ A crèche is available for parents with little children. The service is relayed into the room so you are able to listen to it. Please ensure the room is left tidy.
- ✚ Please join us for a cuppa after the service.

PASTORAL NOTES

Dear Church Family

We have the opportunity and privilege today of witnessing the baptism of five people in our church family: Andy Baldwin, John Stretton, Stan Shaw, Lorraine Thomson and Francis Taylor. Baptism is a fundamental practice of Christianity. The Lord Jesus Christ commanded it when He said: *"Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptising them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit"* (Matthew 28:19). Baptism is a commitment opportunity for believers. It is far more than a ritual or religious exercise; it is a public, outward declaration that reflects a personal, inward faith. Please join the rest of our church family today as we celebrate water baptism at 12 noon in Ngakuta Bay.

We have plenty of happenings this month of February. Please see notices below.

I will be away in Nelson on Thursday for a meeting with the TOTS Baptist pastors.

May the service this morning be a rich blessing to your faith.

In Christ's service
Deo

HAPPENING TODAY

Water Baptism & Church Picnic in Ngakuta Bay at 12.00 noon. Everyone is welcome!

HAPPENING THIS WEEK

- **Homegroups:** Tuesday 7pm at 90 Lindens Rd (contact Lynette Stanley 027 500 1517); Thursday 7pm at 374 Waikawa Rd (contact Steve Dawson 021 688 071). Note: Tuesday 10am home group is off this week.
- **Tea at 10**
Friday 14 Feb 10am at Marina Cove (Upper Lounge). All welcome!
- **Church Clean-Up Day**
Saturday 15 Feb 10am–12noon. See below for more details.

LOOKING AHEAD

- **Messy Church**
Sunday 16 Feb 4–6pm at Church. All welcome!
- **Worship Service at Seaview Home**
Wed 19 Feb at 10.30am. If interested to join please see Deo.
- **Mission Sunday with the Morris family visiting**
Sunday 23 Feb at 10am. Please bring food for the shared lunch. All welcome.

NEEDED FOR MESSY CHURCH

- Margarine containers (or similar). Please place in box out in the foyer.
- Ice cream + cones, lettuce & tomatoes (contact Sue 021 494933)
- Helping hands: in setting up, cleaning, in the kitchen, etc. Please talk to Guan if you'd like to help.

CHURCH CLEAN-UP DAY

Saturday 15th February 10am–12noon. This is a great time to come out in fellowship with others to “shine up” our church and make it a more welcoming place for all. There’s plenty to do, inside and out, including helping organise snacks and drinks for the busy crew. SIGN UP TODAY on the sheet provided on the table in the foyer.

START SMALL – THE CHANGE WILL BE MASSIVE

Open Home Foundation are currently looking for train respite carers to take a vulnerable child into your home for approximately one weekend a month so our incredible Foster Parents can have a break. For more information, contact Steve Dunne 021 408 616 or Steve.Dunne@ohf.org.nz

PRAYER REQUESTS

We want to pray for you. Do you have a special need, concern, temptation, or heartache? Or do you know someone who does? Our prayer team is ready to pray on your behalf. If you have any prayer requests for the Prayer Chain, phone Lynn Whitlock at 573 8858 or 027 733 9558 or email clive.lynn.whitlock@gmail.com

TESTIMONIES FROM THE 7 DAYS OF PRAYER

I am looking for testimonies from the 7 Days of Prayer – testimonies of how God has answered your prayers, how you have been blessed and strengthened, how you have been able to share the gospel as a result of prayer, etc. I am wanting to gather testimonies from our church family and to publish these so they can be a source of encouragement for all of us to keep praying because truly God hears our prayers. If you have a story to share, please email it to pictonbaptist@gmail.com. Note: your testimony can be shared anonymously. Thank you! – Deo

SERVING AT PBC*

Cleaning

1 Feb..... John & Judith
8 Feb..... Bill & Mary
15 Feb..... Deo & Guan
22 Feb..... Stan & Heather
29 Feb..... Kirsty

Hosting

2 Feb..... John & Judith
9 Feb..... Bill & Mary (Communion)
16 Feb..... Ana & Linda
23 Feb..... Stan & Heather

Music & Sound

2 Feb: Guan (leading), Jonathan (guitar), Bronwyn (keyboard), Minette (singer), Bill (projector), Steve (sound)

9 Feb: Garry (leading), Nelia (singer), Lynette (projector), Andy (sound)

16 Feb: Bronwyn (leading), Jude (singer), Lynette (projector), Steve (sound)

23 Feb: Garry (leading), Jonathan (guitar), Bronwyn (keyboard), Jude & Nelia (singers), Gyllian (projector), Gerald (sound)

*If the date doesn't suit please arrange a swap with others on the roster.

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